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In re Application of: Bruce L. Frank et al.

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Washington, DC 20231

ATTENTION: OFFICE OF PETITIONS

PETITION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) TO REVIVE AN
UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED PATENT APPLICATION

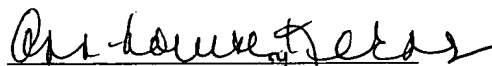
Dear Sir:

The above-identified United States patent application went abandoned for failure to timely respond to the Office Action mailed December 22, 1997. The entire delay in providing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) was unintentional. Provided herewith is a copy of a Continued Prosecution Application filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) as a proposed response to the Office Action filed today, October 5, 1998.

Applicants hereby petition the Hon. Commissioner to revive this application. Please charge our deposit account no. 08-0219 for the petition fee of \$665.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(m). For this purpose we enclose a duplicate copy of this document.

Respectfully submitted,

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